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Application of:  
Miki SASAKI, et al.

Serial No: 10/008,958  
Filed: December 5, 2001  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INCORPORATING A  
Dicing Technique for Wafer Separation  
And a Method for Manufacturing the Same  
(As Amended)

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Examiner: Nathan W. Ha

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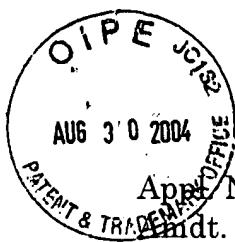
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.